

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, Claims 19-22 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following Remarks.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges that the Office action indicates that Claims 1-18 are allowable. For the reasons set forth below, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for allowance.

The Office action rejects Claims 19-22 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over Falcoff et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,020,845). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

By this Amendment, Claims 19-22 are canceled, thereby rendering the rejection moot. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

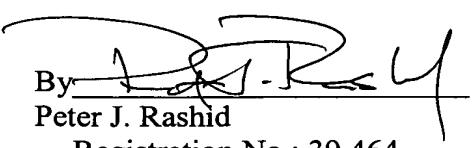
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application is earnestly solicited.

Should Examiner Morrow believe anything further would be desirable in order to place the application in better condition for allowance; the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

It is believed that any additional fees due with respect to this paper have already been identified. However, if any additional fees are required in connection with the filing of this paper, permission is given to charge account number 50-3145 in the name of Honigman Miller Schwartz and Cohn LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

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